# Analysis of Pion Data from the Vertical Slice Test of the RPC-DHCAL



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## Data with secondary beams

No noticable differences between runs within a setting

Analysis only of layers 0 – 5 (to be consistent)  $\rightarrow$  6.8 X<sub>0</sub> or 0.7  $\lambda_{I}$ 

#### **Positrons**

Trigger = coincidence of 2 19 x 19 cm<sup>2</sup> scintillation counters and one Čerenkov

Unknown mixture **Pions/muons** 

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Momentum	Run number	RPCs	Number of events
16 GeV/c	701	0 – 6	6540
8 GeV/c	702	0 – 5	39376
4 GeV/c	703	0 – 5	13061
2 GeV/c	262	0 – 5	8544
1 GeV/c	270	0 – 8	10599

Momentum	Run number	RPCs	Number of events
16 GeV/c	801	0 – 5	29889
8 GeV/c	802	0 – 5	30657
4 GeV/c	261	0 – 5	5941
2 GeV/c	803	0 – 5	5642
	268 (bricks)	0 – 8	1068
1 GeV/c	269	0 – 8	1378

# Brick Run at 2 GeV/c

Additional stack of Iron blocks

50 cm deep corresponding to 3  $\lambda_I$   $\rightarrow$  97% of  $\pi$  interact  $\rightarrow \Delta E_{\mu} \sim 600 \text{ MeV}$ 



#### **Data Quality** Number of hits e.g. Run 235 Difference of data time-stamps RPC2 with trigger time-stamp **RPCO** RPC1 Each bin 100 ns RPC3 RPC4 RPC5 -24 -22 -20 -18 -16 -14 Difference in Timestamps Looks good! Many fewer hits than e<sup>+</sup> data RPC6 Layer #6 not operational



#### Hits distributed over large area

 $\rightarrow$  requires fiducial cut

Not centered on calorimeter

# **Clusters in first layer**

Data selection: All data





Some loss when no hits in first layer: biased efficiency?

~ 2000 events

Look mostly like upstream hadronic showers

Positron peak  $\mu \pm \sigma = 49 \pm 10$ 

# **Fiducial cuts**

Data selection: Request exactly one cluster in first layer



Number of hits - 802

Cluster in  $1^{st}$  layer: R = maximum distance in x or y from center of layer

#### Significant leakage for R>5

(for e<sup>+</sup> also R>5)

# Hits in first layer

Data selection: Exactly one cluster in first layer Distance R< 5

Number of hits - 802



# Request no more than 4 hits

**Only 158 events** 

Upstream hadronic

showers

# Hits in second layer

Data selection: Exactly one cluster in first layer Distance R< 5 Number of hits in first layer <5

Number of hits - 802



#### Choose this one

To separate MIPs  $(\mu,\pi)$ from  $\pi$ 's which interacted early, but in the calorimeter

# **Hit distribution**





Exactly one cluster in first layer Distance R< 5 Number of hits in first layer <5 Number of hits in second layer <5

Data selection:



Some contamination from 'late' showers

# **Hit distribution**

Data selection:

Exactly one cluster in first layer Distance R< 5 Number of hits in first layer <5 Number of hits in second layer >4



# Some MIP contamination at 16 GeV/c

#### Not much data at 1 and 2 GeV/c

# **Brick run – Hit distribution**



# **Linearity – Resolution**



# **Shower reconstruction – Pion selection**

Calculate average x,y in each layer Fit straight lines through average x,y positions



### **Shower reconstruction – Pion selection**



 $\Delta x \text{ or } \Delta y \text{ in [cm]}$ 

Residuals reasonably small and well centered

## **Pion runs – Shower reconstruction – Pion selection**



## **Pion runs – Average shower shape – Pion selection**



Effect of cut on nhit>4 clearly visible for p ≤ 8

Statistics too poor for  $p \le 4$ 



Layer number

# **Monte Carlo Simulation**

**DHCAL Calibration procedure** 

Data (HV,THR)  $\rightarrow \mu_0, \epsilon_0$ Correction for actual  $\mu_j, \epsilon_j$  of layer j  $N_i^{DT} = \sum_{layer j} n_{i,j} (\epsilon_0/\epsilon_j) (\mu_0/\mu_j)$  i...event id  $\uparrow$  $N_i^{MC} (\mu_0, \epsilon_0)$ 

Reproduce hit distribution

- a) Get x,y,z of each energy deposit in the active gap from GEANT4
- b) [Filter hits if closer than R<sub>0</sub> (pick one of the hits randomly)]
- c) Generate measured charge distribution
- d) Distribute charge over pads assuming a black disk of radius R or Distribute charge according to STAR-RPC measurement
- e) Apply threshold T to flag pads above threshold (hits)
- f) Adjust T,R to reproduce measured n\_hit distribution
- g) Compare T-dependence with measurement

## Monte Carlo Input

- i\_input = 1 ... flat distribution over single pad
- i\_input = 2 ... track through layers 0 5, evenly distributed over pad 8/8
- i\_input = 3 ... read data from file (output of GEANT4) ← **not yet available**

### Charge spectrum – Fit to analog measurements

800 1000  $\chi^2/ndf$ 84.89  $\chi^2/\text{ndf}$ 103.4 23 32 700.3 Constant 1139. Constant 3287. 3245. Mean Mean 600 750 108.9 Sigma 123.2 Sigma 400 500 200 250 0 LL 2000 2000 9000 1000 6000 10000 14000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 8000 4000 8000 12000 ADC counts ADC counts 40  $\chi^2/ndf$ 77.32 62 1  $\chi^2/\text{ndf}$ 113.6 60 P1 0.5742E-03 P1 0.1060E-04 Ρ2 1,735 Ρ2 2,167 30 40 P3 0.1194E-02 Ρ3 0.8020E-03 20 20 10 2000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 8000 9000 1000 7000 14000 4000 6000 8000 10000 12000 ADC counts ADC counts

High Voltage = 6.2 kV

High Voltage = 6.4 kV

 $y = \alpha (x-2900)^{\beta} e^{-\gamma(x-2900)}$ 

Pion data at 6.3 kV

# **Charge spectrum – Implementation into Program**





## Charge distribution - Black disk with R = 0.2 cm

# **Black Disk Optimization**



#### Can reproduce pad multiplicity and efficiency with

R = 0.45 cm and T = 0.55 pC

 $\rightarrow$  R ~ 0.2 cm and T ~ 0.2 pC would have made more sense

# **Charge Distribution – Exponential dependence**





# **Trying out different thresholds**



![](_page_26_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### Does not work too well Black disk actually a bit better

# Conclusions

![](_page_27_Picture_1.jpeg)

#### **Pion analysis**

Data mostly understood Separation of MIPs ( $\mu$ , $\pi$ ) and 'early, but not too early' hadronic showers possible Some crude measurement of shower shapes

#### **Monte Carlo simulation**

Almost ready Not clear why simulation of avalanches different from expectation

#### Soon

Comparison with simulation Estimate of pion rate in beam

# **Concept of a RPC-DHCAL validated**